

COLUMBIA.

Sunday Morning, February 16, 1868.

Foreign Immigration.

It appears from a statistical statement recently published, that the number of emigrants to the United States since 1860 far exceeds the number of persons killed, wounded or disabled during the late civil war; so that the exhaustion of population from that source has been already more than supplied. The motive power which keeps up this sustained exodus from Europe, the *Baltimore Sun* truthfully says, is found in the want of disposable land in Europe and its high price, the more attractive rewards for labor and enterprise in a new country, stimulated by the military service required in Europe, the oppressive taxation demanded to keep up large standing armies, and the constant perils of protracted and bloody wars, in which life and the fruits of long years of industry are sacrificed at the shrine of selfish ambition. The influence of relatives in the United States is a powerful and constantly increasing attractive force; and when it is borne in mind that nearly two-thirds of our whole population are emigrants and their descendants, we may be able to appreciate in some degree the tremendous social attraction which is drawing hither the masses of the European population. Besides the enormous accession to the national wealth produced by the creative industry of our adopted citizens in the development of the resources of the country, the emigrants to the United States have brought here an amount of property which is estimated at not less than \$400,000,000. On the other hand, large sums have reverted to Europe, it having been ascertained by the British commissioners of immigration that, from 1848 to 1863, more than \$56,000,000 have been remitted by settlers in North America to friends in Great Britain, through the agency of large mercantile houses and banks, besides sums sent through private hands, the amount of which is not known. It is reasonable to conclude that much of the money thus sent abroad has been used for the purpose of facilitating additional emigration to this country. Foreign immigration is the great secret of the wonderfully rapid development and progress of this country. Without it, the United States would now be far behind Spain, the seventh among the powers of Europe in population, and but little in advance of Brazil and Mexico. That State which secures the most of the foreign immigration is likely to grow most rapidly in all the elements of power and prosperity.

"J. N.'s" prophecy relative to the death of Thad. Stevens, on the 12th, came near being fulfilled, as on that day the great mill-owner was suddenly prostrated and forced to go to bed with an attack of vertigo. Try again, J. N., you may be more successful.

The New Orleans colored alderman, Dumas, who refused to accept the nomination for Lieutenant-Governor, on the ground that he was "a candidate for Governor only," and that half a loaf was not better than no bread, is, we observe, among the persons just removed from office by Gen. Hancock, for "contempt of orders from headquarters." Possibly if this blow had come before the other nomination, he would not have declined it, and would have consented to run as second to the white nominee for Governor.

SIR DAVID BREWSTER.—The cable despatches bring us intelligence of the death of this distinguished British savant, on the 10th inst., in the eighty-seventh year of his age.

SERGEANT BATES—HIS WALK FROM VICKSBURG TO WASHINGTON.—The *Cairo (Illinois) Democrat* gives some particulars of this feat of pedestrianism, as follows:

The sergeant was a soldier of the Union army; was one of the first to enter the service, and one of the last to leave it. A Democrat from principle, he remained true to the party during all the conflict, and returned to his home an advocate of liberality in the treatment of the unfortunate people of the South. As a matter of course, he became a target at which all the radicals in his neighborhood aimed their abuse. He was vilified and persecuted by men who had talked war, but never shouldered a musket.

In a controversy with a party of radicals, who maintained that the Southern people were outlaws, who did not hesitate to take the life of any man, white or black, suspected of Unionism, the sergeant denounced the assertion as a falsehood, and declared that he, an ex-soldier of the Union army, could march through the South with the Union flag exposed, without a cent in his pocket, and not only escape bodily harm, but receive hospitable treatment from the Southern people, upon whom ignorant radicalism was heaping so much abuse. A purse-heavy radical offered to bet a certain amount that he would be killed if he undertook the journey; and, in the event of the sergeant's death, agreed to pay the sum to the "fool-hardy young man's family."

The banter was accepted by the sergeant. He will travel from Vicksburg to Jackson, thence to Montgomery, Ala.; thence to Milledgeville, Ga.; thence to Columbia, S. C.; thence to Raleigh, N. C.; thence to Richmond and thence to Washington, at which place he is to arrive on or before the 4th of July next.

The sergeant is a poor man, described as being devoid of conceit, and perfectly honorable in his conduct. Letters have been received by him from prominent gentlemen living in the cities on his march, inviting him to be their guest when he passes through, and tendering him a guard of honor.

THE WILMINGTON FIRE.—The *Wilmington Journal*, of Friday, contains the following details of the destructive fire in that city, on Thursday night:

A fire broke out in the store occupied by Mr. Charles Guthman, on Market street, as a clothing store, about 9 o'clock, last night, which spread up and down the street, destroying five of the principal buildings on the South side of Market, between Front and Second streets. The lowest building burnt, occupied by Mr. R. S. Waldon, as a dry goods store; insured for \$5,000. Mr. Guthman, occupied the next store, was insured for \$3,000. His stock of goods, valued at about \$7,000 or \$8,000, was entirely destroyed. Dr. T. B. Carr, who resided above the store of Mr. Guthman, lost everything, including his dental instruments, library, &c. Dr. Carr's loss is estimated at about \$6,000—no insurance. The next building was occupied by H. H. Munson & Co., as a clothing and gentlemen's furnishing store. His stock, valued at \$12,000 to \$15,000, was insured for \$10,000. The second story was occupied by Messrs. Arrington & Everett, surgeon dentists. They held an insurance for \$5,000, but their loss will exceed this amount by \$3,000 or \$4,000. The next building was occupied by Mr. Wronski, dry goods, and Allen Evans, (colored,) grocer. Mr. Wronski was insured for \$5,000; above was located the daguerrean rooms of Mr. Van Orsdell, who had an insurance of \$3,000, with a policy of \$5,000, just expired.

A number of persons were buried beneath the ruins of a falling wall, at 5 a. m., to-day. One white man and four freedmen have, thus far, been taken from the ruins, in a mangled condition. It is thought that all will die. A large number of hands are now at work on the ruins to recover the other bodies; but it is feared that ten or twelve were crushed. The fire was confined to the buildings mentioned in last night's despatch. The loss will be about \$125,000.

SQUEEZED TO DEATH.—So great was the rush at the polls yesterday, that two freedmen were actually squeezed to death, one at the Court House precinct, the other at Hitchcock's marble yard.

[Montgomery Advertiser.]

CASUALTIES IN LANCASTER.—The *Lancaster Ledger* publishes the following casualties in that District:

We learn that a colored woman, name not given, was accidentally drowned in attempting to cross Cedar Creek, in the neighborhood of Cunningham's old mill seat, in this District, on Thursday last, 6th inst.

An inquest was held on the body of a male colored infant, in this District, at the plantation of Mr. Jesse Kirkland, on the 30th ultimo. The evidence elicited on the trial, established the fact of accidental death in falling from the arms of the nurse. Verdict of the jury in accordance.

An inquest was also held, in this District, on the 8th instant, on the body of Lenora Stinson, a freed girl eight years old, who came to her death from burns. The jury returned a verdict of "accident."

Phillis Lambeth, a freedwoman, was burned to death from her clothes taking fire, at the plantation of Thos. Croxton, Esq., in this District, a few days ago. A jury of inquest empaneled on the 28th ult., rendered a verdict of "accident."

A SARCASM.—Charivari tells a funny story of a man in France who was attacked by four or five robbers while returning to his home at night. A bright idea flashed upon him, and he began shouting, "Vive la Republique!" Instantly the police gathered from all quarters, the robbers dropped their plunder and fled, the shout was seized—of course—but, on making explanations, was allowed to depart. The Empire is peace.

The various political State Conventions yet to be held this month are: On the 19th, the Democratic Convention of Wisconsin; on the 20th, the Republican of Indiana; 22d, the Democratic of Kentucky and New York; 26th, the Republican of Wisconsin, and the Democratic of Iowa and Minnesota; 27th, the Republican of Kentucky.

A CARD.

THE undersigned has assumed charge of Mr. R. C. Shiver's store at Rock Hill, and will devote his entire attention to the business. Orders sent to the Columbia store will be faithfully attended to. Feb 16

STARKE W. PORTER.

For Rent.

THAT commodious and very desirable STORE, recently occupied by Henry Gibson as a first class grocery, next to James Brown's paint establishment. Terms will be very reasonable. Possession given after the 15th instant. Apply to Feb 16

JAMES BROWN.

WANTED!

OLD GOLD and SILVER, for which the highest cash prices will be paid, at I. SULZBACHER'S, Sign of the Green Spectacles, One door South of Phoenix Office, Feb 15 3 Main street, Columbia, S. C.

OIL STOVES.

I HAVE one of these celebrated OIL STOVES. All persons (especially the Ladies) are invited to call and see it. I am prepared to furnish them to all, for all who see them will have one. HENRY H. BLEASE, Ehrlich's Building, Main street. Feb 15

BELOW COST.

SELLING OFF BELOW NEW YORK COST.—The undersigned wishes to call the attention of his friends, and citizens generally, of Columbia and vicinity, to the fact that he wishes to leave this city on account of business engagements elsewhere, and that he is duty bound to sell off his entire stock of GENTLEMEN'S FINE READY-MADE CLOTHING below New York wholesale prices; also, Cassimeres and Cloths, an assortment of Gent's Furnishing Goods, Ladies' and Gent's Shoes, and various other articles too numerous to mention; all of which must be sold off WITHIN TEN DAYS. Please call and judge for yourselves, at SAMUEL FISER'S, Main street, opposite J. C. Dial's. N. B. All parties indebted to me will please call immediately at the store and settle, to avoid all inconvenience. By so doing, you will greatly oblige Feb 12

SAMUEL FISER.

NEW ARRIVAL.

SUGAR-CURED HAMS, Sugar-cured Breakfast Strips, Large No. 1 Mackerel, very fat, Rich Goshen Butter, at Feb 11

G. DIERCKS.

FOR SALE.

AT Charles Logan's Stables, corner of Assembly and Senate streets, a fine lot of young Kentucky MULES and HORSES. Feb 12 6*

STOVES! STOVES!

NONE but the best; all warranted to give full satisfaction, and at such prices that, though the "Times are hard," all can buy from Feb 4

HENRY H. BLEASE.

Donald Cameron, a famous Highland piper, who has won numerous gold medals for excellence in his art during a period of thirty years, has just died. He was also esteemed as a composer.

Miss Grenough, aged seventeen years, was burned to death at Burlington, Vt., on Sunday night, her clothes taking fire from the explosion of a kerosene lamp.

Despatches from China via London announce that shocks of earthquakes had been felt at Shanghai and Ningpoo, and in the surrounding districts.

The Winchester (Virginia) *News* mentions a rumor that a man residing on Cacapin mountain, had been attacked and killed by wolves, after slaying six of them with an axe.

There are 1,043 convicts in the Illinois State penitentiary. That institution is now earning about \$200 a day over and above expenses.

In 1867 the number of pedestrians who visited the New York Central Park was 2,998,770; of equestrians, 84,994, and of vehicles, 1,381,697.

Before we stop we will have a stable government.—*Sumner on reconstruction.*

Stable! All but the t.—*Exchange.*

The Astor House, in New York, is to remain a hotel for seven years longer, a new lease for that term having just been executed.

The Ohio River bridge at Louisville will be finished in 1869; it will cost \$1,600,000, be ninety feet above high water, and be one mile long.

There are 500 women compositors in the various printing offices of New York city.

The remains of Poe are to be interred at Green Mount Cemetery, near Baltimore.

For the week ending the 18th inst., 276 patents will be issued from the Patent Office.

A Cincinnati lady has seven husbands living. Her present address is the city jail.

Low-necked dresses are the mode in Paris, and they are daily becoming lower.

To City Tax-Payers.

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, COLUMBIA, February 14, 1868. TAX-PAYERS are respectfully notified that returns of all taxable property within the limits of this city are required to be made on or before the 1st of MARCH next, and payment for the same, on or before the 15th of MARCH next. All persons failing to comply with this requirement subject themselves to an addition of 5 per cent. upon the amount of their taxes. J. S. McMAHON, City Clerk. Feb 15 1mo

FINAL NOTICE.

ALL persons having claims against the estate of WM. HOPKINS, deceased, will present the same properly attested; and all persons indebted will make payment to MRS. E. T. HOPKINS, Executrix, Hopkins T. O., S. C. m13* Feb 9

COPARTNERSHIP.

THE undersigned have formed a Copartnership, under the firm of CAMPBELL & JONES, for the transaction of a general GROCERY and PROVISION BUSINESS. JAMES S. CAMPBELL, W. W. JONES. The friends of W. D. PECK will find him at this establishment—disposed to serve them promptly. Feb 12

Count Mirabeau.

AN HISTORICAL TALE; by Mundt. Translated by Brandford. In one volume. Price \$1.50; cloth \$2. History of the United Netherlands—sequel to Dutch Republic; by Motley. A Stormy Life, a novel; by Lady Georgiana Fullerton, with plates. Price \$1.50 and \$2. Duff's Railroad, Bank and Merchant's Book-keeping, new. Queen Victoria's new book, Life in the Highlands, &c. Price \$1.75. Also, a new supply of Ibez, by author of St. Elmo. \$1.75. New English Novels, cheap. For sale at J. J. McCarter's bookstore. Feb 8

R. L. BRYAN.

Fresh Groceries, Provisions and Family Supplies.

THE undersigned have on hand, and are constantly receiving additions to their stock of GOODS in the above line—which will be found full and complete—embracing: COFFEE, TEA, SUGAR, MOLASSES, BACON, LARD, CANNED GOODS, WINES and LIQUORS; in fact, any and everything pertaining to a first class grocery store. CAMPBELL & JONES. P. S. We would inform our friends throughout the country that we will devote special attention to the storage and sale of COTTON. A commodious WAGON YARD is in rear of the establishment. Feb 12

LEMONS! LEMONS!!

LARGE FLORIDA LEMONS, at Feb 11

G. DIERCKS.

Heintz's Crimson Tetter Wash, for Tetter, Ringworm, Pimples, Worm Spots, Roughness of the Skin—a cure for Tetter and Ringworm.

Local Items.

GODEY FOR MARCH.—Mr. McCarter has presented us a copy of this lady's "indispensable." The reading matter is interesting, and the fashion plates attractive.

HANDSOME FURNITURE.—Mr. M. W. Bythewood will dispose of a lot of handsome furniture, to-morrow morning, at his auction room. Those in want of anything in that line, should be on hand early.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES THIS DAY.

Trinity Church—Rev. P. J. Shand, rector, 10½ a. m. and 3 p. m. Presbyterian Church—Rev. W. E. Boggs, pastor, 10½ a. m. St. Peter's Church—Rev. J. J. O'Connell, 10 a. m. and 3 p. m. Washington Street Chapel—Rev. Wm. Martin, 10½ a. m. Rev. S. H. Browne, 3½ p. m. Marion Street Church—Rev. S. H. Browne, 10½ a. m. Rev. Wm. Martin, 3½ p. m. Lutheran Lecture Room—Rev. A. R. Rude, 10½ a. m. Baptist Church—Rev. J. L. Reynolds, 10½ a. m.

Providence permitting, addresses will be delivered in behalf of the Bible Society, this (Sabbath) evening, the 16th February, at the Presbyterian Church, in this city, by Rev. Dr. Plumer, Rev. Dr. Reynolds and Rev. Mr. Pringle. Service to commence at 7 o'clock. The public are earnestly requested to attend. A collection will be taken up in behalf of Bible distribution.

FEBRUARY 17.—To-morrow is the black day—the third anniversary of the destruction of the city of Columbia, by Gen. Wm. T. Sherman's soldiers. A casual survey of the city at the present time will show that, notwithstanding there are many sentinels yet remaining, in the shape of solitary chimneys and tumbling walls, our citizens were not dispirited by the terrible event, but went to work with a will, and in nearly every instance erected buildings much superior to those which were destroyed. If it were not for the great scarcity of money, the rebuilding would be pushed along rapidly, as there are many property owners desirous of continuing the work; but our people must bide their time—wait, Micawber-like, for "something to turn up." The "good time coming" may not be far off.

We have on hand a number of copies of the "Sack and Destruction of the City of Columbia," compiled by a well-known author, which will be disposed of at fifty cents a copy. In addition to a correct account of what occurred at the time, it contains a full list of the property owners and the occupants of the various houses destroyed. A perusal of its pages will remove all doubts from the minds of any unprejudiced reader.

The *Boston Transcript* says there are two reasons why people feel drowsy in a crowded church: first, because they inhale and thus destroy a large portion of the oxygen of the air—which alone can sustain vitality and healthy action; second, the air of the church is impregnated with carbonic acid gas, which, being a narcotic, produces drowsiness in those who inhale it.

POISON OAK.—A writer in the *Southern Cultivator*, having recommended iodide of potassa as a cure for the effects of poison oak, a correspondent of that journal says that he has found coal oil equally effective and less dangerous. By applying it two or three times a day, a cure is effected in a few days. He thinks this would also prove effective in cases of erysipelas.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.—Attention is called to the following advertisements, published this morning for the first time:

James Brown—Store to Rent. W. T. Walter—Auction. T. S. Jeffers—Assignee's Sale. D. C. Peixotto & Son—Auctions. Starke W. Porter—A Card. M. W. Bythewood—Auction.